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In re patent of	:	
Ester A.L. Verbovsky	:	NOTIFICATION OF IMPROPER
Patent No. 6,918,631	:	PRIOR ART CITATION UNDER
Issued: July 19, 2005	:	37 CFR 1.501
For: CHILD'S CAR SEAT CUSHION	:	

A submission by a third party was filed in the United States Patent and Trademark Office on June 15, 2007.

The requirements for a proper prior art citation under 37 CFR 1.501 are as follows:

A) Prior art submitted must be limited to "written prior art consisting of patents and publications". Any submission that contains any issue not directed to patents and publications will not be entered into the file and will be returned unconsidered, despite the fact that it may also contain "properly considerable" prior art. MPEP 2205.

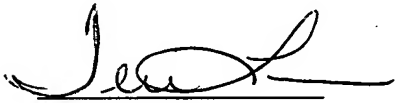
B) An explanation of how the person submitting the prior art considers it to be pertinent and applicable to the patent.

C) An explanation of why it is believed that the prior art has a bearing on the patentability of any claim of the patent.

D) If filed by a party other than the patent owner, an indication must be present that a copy of the submission has been served on the patent owner, or includes a duplicate copy if service on the patent owner was not possible.

The prior art submission of June 15, 2007 lacks item (C) above. The mapping of some of the limitations of claim 1 of the patent to the prior art publication is considered to be a statement of pertinent and applicable to the patent. However, there is no explanation of why it is believed that the prior art publication has a bearing on the patentability of any claims of the patent, e.g., an allegation that the prior art publication discloses claimed features which are not taught by any of the prior art of record or an allegation of unpatentability. Accordingly, this submission has not been entered into the patented files. The original copy is being returned to the third party per MPEP 2206.

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